



COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY JOB CLASS SPECIFICATION

FOREST RANGER TECHNICIAN III

Job Number: 20001494

Job Code: 72520V161016

Job Group: 7200 - FORESTRY

Job Established: 04/01/1995

Job Revised: 10/16/2016

Grade: 13 Salary (MIN - MID):

\$16,432-\$21,875 - Hourly

\$2,670.20-\$3,554.70 - 37.5 Hr. Monthly Salary

\$2,848.22-\$3,791.68 - 40 Hr. Monthly Salary

Special Entrance Rate:

NONE

NONE

NONE

PROBATIONARY PERIOD:

This job has an initial and promotional probationary period of 12 months. For additional information refer to: <http://www.lrc.ky.gov/kar/101/001/325.htm>.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE JOB: *Characteristics of a job are general statements indicating the level of responsibility and discretion of positions in that job classification. These are not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Works independently in performing advanced technical work in forest stewardship, forest resource management, and forest protection for an assigned area; and performs other duties as required

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

EDUCATION:

Graduate of a college or university with an associate's degree in the Biological or Physical Sciences.

EXPERIENCE:

Must have four years of forest management experience.

Substitute EDUCATION for EXPERIENCE:

A bachelor's degree in the Biological or Physical Sciences supplemented by two years of forest management experience will substitute for the associate's degree and the four years of forest management experience.

Substitute EXPERIENCE for EDUCATION:

Forest management experience will substitute for the associate's degree on the basis of two years of experience for one year of education, OR four years of experience as a Forest Guard, Forest Ranger, Forest Ranger Unit or in the Forest Ranger Technician series will substitute for the associate's degree and the four years of forest management experience.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (AGE, LICENSURE, REGULATION, ETC.):

Must be at least 21 years of age. Must possess a valid driver's license prior to appointment in this classification. Must have successfully completed the Forest Ranger Technician Level II Training as certified by the Secretary of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Cabinet or a designee in the Cabinet. Must maintain any required licensure(s), certification(s), or other

credentials for the length of employment in this classification. Employing agency is responsible for ensuring employee possesses and maintains required licensure(s), certification(s) or other credentials.

EXAMPLES OF DUTIES OR RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JOB CLASSIFICATION: *Examples of duties or responsibilities are not to be construed as describing what the duties or responsibilities of any position shall be and are not to be construed as limiting the appointing authority's ability to assign, or otherwise alter the duties and responsibilities of a position. This is not intended to be an exhaustive list.*

Trains fire departments, agencies, and organizations in wild land fire suppression. Performs forest fire prevention, suppression, and law enforcement activities in an assigned area. Organizes, trains, and supervises fire suppression crews in the protection of forestlands. Develops and presents resource education programs to schools, clubs, and camps. Works with the public and local officials in promoting fire prevention. Investigates forest fires and performs other law enforcement duties. Issues citations for forestry violations. Sells and distributes tree seedlings and coordinates tree seed collection. Assists landowners in the implementation of forest stewardship and forest resource management recommendations. Marks forest stands for timber harvesting and timber stand improvement. Collects data for forest stand recommendations. Prepares tree planting plans for landowners. Works with cities and communities concerning urban forestry. Performs insect and disease diagnosis and control recommendations. Assists with surveys and inventories including Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA) and Southern Annual Forest Inventory System (SAFIS). Prepares records and reports.

UNIQUE PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:

Extreme physical effort is required when suppressing wild land fires. The ability to walk on steep slopes, use fire hand tools, and occasionally work long hours is needed.

TYPICAL WORKING CONDITIONS: *Incumbents in the job will typically perform their job duties under these conditions.*

Work is typically performed outdoors on private forest lands. Work can be under adverse conditions due to weather, topography, or when suppressing wild land fires. Work also involves frequent contact with citizens and organizations in the promotion of forestry programs.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Upon appointment, employees in this class may be required to maintain a valid driver's license and required to drive a licensed vehicle. This status may be necessary for the length of time in this class. If this is necessary it will be listed in the specific position description for that position. Applicants and employees in this job title maybe required to submit to a drug screening test and background check. Applicants and employees in positions which perform job duties that may require contact with offenders in the custody or supervision of the Department of Corrections or with youth in the care, custody, or supervision of the Department of Juvenile Justice must meet qualifications pursuant to the federal Prison Rape Elimination Act, 28 C.F.R.115.17 and 115.317.

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